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This area comprises Sweden's four fundamental laws: the Instrument of Government, the Act of Succession, the Freedom of the Press Act and the Fundamental Law on Freedom of Expression. The area includes issues that concern the principle of public access to official documents and the personal privacy of individuals.

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The Swedish Security Service has raised the terrorist threat level from level 3 ('elevated') to level 4 ('high') on a 5-level scale. In light of the deteriorating security situation, the Government is working intensively and constantly to take the necessary measures.

Published 21 August 2023 · [Article](#) from [Gunnar Strömmer](#), [Ministry of Justice](#)

[Review of Public Order Act to strengthen Sweden's security](#)

The Government has decided to appoint an Inquiry Chair to examine whether Sweden's security could be considered when examining permit applications and setting conditions for public gatherings under the Public Order Act.

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[Freedom of expression and freedom to demonstrate in Sweden](#)

In Sweden, freedom of expression and demonstration are protected by the Constitution. Freedom of expression is one of the foundations of the Swedish state. Freedom of expression, freedom of information, freedom to demonstrate and freedom of assembly are therefore central rights in our democracy. The individual's right to freedom of religion is also strongly protected by the Constitution.

Published 26 January 2023 · [Article](#) from [Ministry of Justice](#)

[Constitutional amendment offers greater possibilities to combat terrorism](#)

A constitutional amendment that enters into force on 1 January 2023 will allow limitations on freedom of association for groups engaged in terrorism. This means that Sweden will be able to combat terrorism in new and broader ways.

Published 30 December 2022 · [Press release](#) from [Gunnar Strömmer](#), [Ministry of Justice](#)

[Public access to information and secrecy](#)

The Public Access to Information and Secrecy Act, which entered into force on 30 June 2009, contains provisions that supplement the provisions contained in the Freedom of the Press Act on the right to obtain official documents, for example provisions on the obligation of public authorities to register official documents, appeals against decisions of authorities, etc.

Published 11 September 2009 · Updated 23 September 2020 · [Information material](#) from [Ministry of Justice](#)

[Racist symbols. Review of practice and analysis – Summary in English, SOU 2019:27](#)

The remit has been tasked with reviewing the criminal law regulations regarding racist and similar symbols and, if necessary, proposing amendments.

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[The Swedish Law-Making Process](#)

This fact sheet contains a brief presentation of the Swedish law-making process.

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